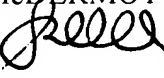


REMARKS

The specification in the above-referenced application has been amended to correct the previously submitted continuity information. Specifically, the filing date of Japanese Application No. 2004-049257 has been changed from the incorrect February 2, 2004, to the correct February 25, 2004. Care has been exercised to avoid the introduction of new matter. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

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